

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 21-24 as follows:

21. A cord comprising polyester filaments, wherein the cord has the following properties:

- breaking tenacity  $\geq 570$  mN/tex,
- dimensional stability  $> 110$ , and
- quality factor  $> 50$ .

22. The cord according to claim 21, characterised in that the quality factor is larger than 100.

23. The cord according to claim 21, wherein the quality factor is larger than 125.

24. The cord according to claim 21, wherein the quality factor is larger than 150.

REMARKS

Claims 21-24 are pending herein. Claims 1-20 and 25-27 have been cancelled in the Application Transmittal. By this Preliminary Amendment, the specification and claims 21-24 are amended to conform to U.S. practice. The abstract is also amended to conform to U.S. practice. No new matter is added by this Amendment.

The attached Appendix includes marked-up copies of each rewritten paragraph (37 CFR §1.121(b)(iii)), claim (37 CFR §1.121(c)(ii)) and the Abstract.